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REQUEST FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time, up to and including September 11, 2003 in which to file a response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2003. Applicants have paid the fee for a three-month extension of time. Accordingly, a fee in the amount of \$930.00 for a three-month extension is enclosed. If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2165.

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